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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Project Director

26 April 1958

SUBJECT : Operational Procedures Review

REFERENCES : A. Memorandum for Project Director, dated 25 Apr.  
1958 - TS-155064  
B. Memorandum for Director of Operations, dated  
25 April 1958 - TS-155065

1. I have read the referenced papers with interest. Although there is little in them that is new to me I believe reference B is a most impressive account of our operational procedures and is another demonstration of the high caliber and great competence of our Operations Section in which I have the fullest confidence.

2. I am sending these papers to General Cabell for his information in order that he may be well informed of this matter if it should ever again be raised with him by senior Air Force Officers.

3. I note in paragraph 2 of reference A that meetings are being held between personnel of our Operations Section and of the Reconnaissance Office of DCS/O in Headquarters, USAF and that a coordinated Hqs USAF Project SOP for mission planning is being prepared. I am sure these meetings will be useful but I would like to have you review carefully any proposed SOP, and I would like to review it myself if I am in Washington before we become committed to it. Accordingly, I believe our Operations Officers should exercise due diplomatic caution in these discussions and seek guidance from you before any proposals are crystalized to a point at which it would be difficult to modify them.

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